



Recommended Reading

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Resources for Federal Depository Library Directors.

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/directors/index.html

This page provides information for Administrators and Managers of Federal depository libraries.

The Government Printing Office (GPO) is working with the Federal depository library community on many initiatives that are part of the overall GPO strategic planning effort. The resources listed below will help you understand the major initiatives that are underway in the Superintendent of Documents organization and throughout GPO.

"Knowledge Will Forever Govern" – A Vision Statement for Federal Depository Libraries in the 21st Century

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/council/dlcvision092906.pdf

This vision document was prepared by the Federal Depository Library Council for discussion at the 2006 Fall Federal Depository Library Conference in Washington, D.C. It outlines seven goals that should be accomplished to ensure the continued relevance of the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP) and challenges libraries to meet the needs and habits of 21st century clientele.

Depository Library Council Vision Blog

<http://dlcvisionoutline.blogspot.com/>

The Depository Library Council (DLC) has set up a blog, DLC Vision: Future Scenarios, to collect and share comments on the future of Government information and the FDLP. Included on the site is a discussion paper, The Federal Government Information Environment of the 21st Century: Towards a Vision Statement and Plan of Action for Federal Depository Libraries.

Digitization of the Legacy Government Documents Collection

<http://www.gpoaccess.gov/legacy/index.html>

GPO is completing a demonstration project for the digitization of legacy publications. Priorities for digitization included legislative and regulatory material that expands the coverage of the most popular GPO Access databases. Current information about the demonstration project can be found on GPO's Digitization and Preservation Initiatives page, which also includes the latest GPO Digitization Specifications, priorities for digitization, and access to the Registry of U.S. Government Publication Digitization Projects.

The Catalog of U.S. Government Publications (CGP)

<http://catalog.gpo.gov>

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/cip/index.html

The CGP is the public face of GPO's cutting edge Ex Libris Aleph 500 integrated library system (ILS). It contains over 500,000 historical and current bibliographic records from July 1976, with nearly 60,000 records containing one or more PURLs. The CGP's New Electronic Titles feature provides monthly reports of newly cataloged, Web-accessible electronic titles, with links to the full-text of the publications included.

GPO's Future Digital System

<http://www.gpo.gov/projects/fdsys.htm>

This site contains information on the current status of GPO's Future Digital System (FDSys). The Web site also provides access to FDSys documentation, including the FDSys Concept of Operations and the FDSys Requirements Document. Presentations and voice of customer efforts are also posted. Site visitors are invited to comment on FDSys via the FDSys Blog or by e-mailing the Office of Innovation and New Technology. The first system release, scheduled for completion in May 2007, will be an internal pilot of core capabilities to be used only for beta testing. The first public release of FDSys, Release 1C, will be deployed in December 2007.

Proceedings of the Fall 2006 Depository Library Council Meeting and Federal Depository Library Conference

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/pubs/proceedings/06fall/index.html

This site contains links to briefing papers, PowerPoint presentations and handouts from the sessions.

Federal Depository Library Handbook

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/handbook/index.html

GPO continues to work on editing, consolidating, and updating its various FDLP instructions and manuals into a single online publication. Members of the depository library community wrote fifteen chapters on every aspect of operating and managing a depository library. Seven chapters were posted online for comment. Three more chapters (3, 12, and 15) will be posted soon for comment while another three (8, 11, and 14) will have final versions posted. Other chapters are still under development. The final consolidated version of the Handbook is expected to be completed this summer.

2005 Biennial Survey Results

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/bisurvey/index.html

The Biennial Survey gathers data on all depository libraries every 2 years. This report summarizes the responses that were received by GPO in December 2005. Currently, the 2007 Biennial Survey is in the planning stage and more information will be available soon.

Tips to Effectively Transition to a More Online Depository Library Collection

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fdlp/coll-dev/online_coll_tips.pdf

This tip sheet offers many ways for libraries to continue to incorporate online Government publications into their services and collections. It is estimated that 95% of Government publications are now being born digitally.

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A Strategic Vision for the 21st Century

<http://www.gpo.gov/congressional/pdfs/04strategicplan.pdf>

This document presents a vision for the creation and use of Government information in the new century and GPO's roles in its production and dissemination. This document was presented to the 108th Congress and serves as the basis for planning for the GPO of the future.

Public Printer of the United States, Bruce R. James Speech – Rochester Institute of Technology

http://www.gpo.gov/news/speeches/PP_RITSpeech.pdf

The Public Printer of the United States, Bruce R. James, returned to his alma mater, Rochester Institute of Technology, to address the National Government Publishers Association about the digital transformation of Government documents. *FROM THE FOUNDING FATHERS TO THE DIGITAL AGE: A Look At The Latest American Revolution* is now available online.

Recent Speeches of the Superintendent of Documents

<http://www.gpoaccess.gov/about/speeches/index.html>

This site contains recent speeches given by the Superintendent of Documents.

Retirement of Superintendent of Documents, Judy Russell

<http://www.gpo.gov/news/2006/06news25.pdf>

The official most responsible for working with the library community on establishing an authentic digital collection of published Government information, has announced she will be retiring from GPO during the first quarter of 2007. Judy Russell has been with the GPO for nearly a decade, most recently as Superintendent of Documents. Russell is one of the key innovators in designing the FDLP of the future, creating *GPO Access*, and developing innovative plans for the publications sales program.

I welcome your comments or questions about any of these documents or other issues related to GPO's information dissemination programs.

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